

BEFORE THE
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

In the Matter of:

Auburn Post Office
Auburn, West Virginia 26325

Docket No. A2011-94

ERRATUM TO COMMENTS OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
(December 23, 2011)

On November 22, 2011, the Postal Service filed its Comments in this proceeding. Those comments erroneously misstate the title of the Final Determination at issue, in conflict with the administrative record. A corrected copy of the relevant page is attached to this notice. This error arose from counsel's own misreading of the administrative record; as such, the error and its correction should give rise to no prejudice. Accordingly, the Commission should still affirm the Final Determination to discontinue the Auburn Post Office.

Respectfully submitted,

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consistent with the Postal Service's statutory obligations and Commission precedent,¹ the Postal Service gave consideration to a number of other issues, including the impact upon postal employees. Accordingly, the determination to discontinue the Auburn Post Office should be affirmed.

Background

The Final Determination to Close the Auburn, WV Post Office and Extend Service by Highway Contract Route Service, as well as the administrative record, indicate that the Auburn Post Office provides EAS-11 level service to 47 Post Office Box customers and no other delivery customers.² The Postmaster of the Auburn Post Office retired on January 30, 2010.³ A temporary officer-in-charge (OIC) was installed to operate the office.⁴

The average number of daily retail window transactions at the Auburn Post Office is 45.⁵ Revenue has been low and declining over the last few years: \$14,326.00 in FY 2008 (37 revenue units); \$13,300.00 in FY 2009 (35 revenue units); and \$11,241.00 in FY 2010 (29 revenue units).⁶ The Auburn Post Office has no meter or permit customers.⁷ Upon implementation of the final determination, delivery and retail services will be provided by rural route delivery administered by the Troy Post Office, an EAS-13

¹ See 39 U.S.C. § 404(d)(2)(A).

² FD at 1; Item No. 18, (Form 4920) Post Office Closing or Consolidation Proposal Fact Sheet ("Fact Sheet"). In these comments, specific items in the administrative record are referred to as "Item ____."

³ The Petitioner asserts that the postmaster did not retire, but was promoted to a Level 18 office. Comments at 1. Upon further review, the Petitioner is correct, and contrary statements in the Administrative Record are in error. However, this circumstance does not affect the fact that the Auburn Post Office has been without a permanent postmaster since January 30, 2010, or any other material aspect of the discontinuance.

⁴ FD at 1.

⁵ FD at 1; Proposal at 2.

⁶ FD at 1; Fact Sheet at 1; Proposal at 2.

⁷ FD at 1; Fact Sheet at 1; Proposal at 2.